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SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 127

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on General Laws, March 4, 2009, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Senate Committee Substitute adopted March 12, 2009.

Taken up March 12, 2009. Read 3rd time and placed upon its final passage; bill passed.

TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary,

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 9, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to math, engineering, technology and science week.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 9, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 9.138, to read as follows:

9.138. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the first week of March as "Math, Engineering, Technology and Science (METS) Week", and recommending to the people of the state that the week be appropriately observed through activities that will result in an increased awareness of the importance of advancing community interest in math, engineering, technology, and science programs, and promote METS careers statewide in order to advance Missouri's workforce. The proclamation shall also recommend that the week be observed with appropriate activities in public schools. Public and private involvement in METS week demonstrates that fostering and encouraging interest in the sciences is a major factor in determining

13 technology based careers after graduation.

growth and success in school and will help students develop a focus on